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WEST BOUND SPECIAL TO LEAVE WED.

The west-bound special train carrying Topazans back to San Francisco and points enroute will leave the Delta station noon Wednesday, the leave office revealed today. To date, 167 residents have applied for reservations on the "special."

Paul McConnell, leave officer here for the past few months, will be in charge of the evacuee train. After seeing the train to its destination, he will leave for Los Angeles to assist the relocation offices there in finding housing for returnees.

Miss Augusta Kirchner, head nurse at the local hospital, will accompany (Continued on page 6)

LOCAL COURT FINES GAMBLERS

The Judicial Commission yesterday levied fines totaling \$137.50 on 12 men arrested on gambling charges by Internal Security officers in a raid on a Topaz apartment Monday night.

All defendants were found guilty and were assessed from \$7.50 to \$20 each. Arrangements were made whereby some of the money will go into the Community fund.

MANAGEMENT DIV.

DIRECTOR, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PROJ. ATTORNEY HEAD SECTIONS

Sections formerly under the Community Management division have been absorbed by other divisions, Project Director L.T. Hoffman said today in a memorandum to division heads.

The Education, Health and Community Analysis sections now are directly responsible to the Project Director; Community Activities and Internal Security to the Assistant Project

Director in charge of Operations; Topaz Cooperative Enterprises to the Project Attorney.

These changes, made temporarily early last month while R.P. Sanford was on leave status, have been made effective, Hoffman said, "as Mr. Sanford is no longer acting as Assistant Project Director in charge of Community Management."

ALLIED NATIONS AWAIT SURRENDER OF JAPAN

As of noon today, the Allied nations were still awaiting confirmation of the surrender offer broadcasted by Japan early this morning.

The Tokyo radio, heard at 5:30 AM, mountain war time, stated that Japan will accept the Potsdam ultimatum with the condition that the Emperor be allowed to remain as their sovereign leader.

Radi Stockholm announced that Sweden has received the surrender offer and has passed it on to the Allies. However, no official word has as yet been reported.

President Truman will announce the capitulation of Japan as soon as it is made official.

Meanwhile hostilities are still going on.

COMPLETE RELO PLANS BY SEPT. 1 -- HOFFMAN

PETITION SIX CENTERS SEND APPROVAL

The recent petition made by the Topaz community council opposing the closing of all centers was approved immediately by six of the projects concerned, it was learned from Mrs. Narahara, chairman, early today. The petition has already been sent to National WRA Director Dillon S. Myer, he added.

Minidoka acknowledged partial approval of the petition but would not accept resolution No. 2. The Heart Mountain community council requested more time before answering, Narahara said.

Project Director L.T. Hoffman called special attention today to the approaching September 1 deadline for making relocation plans.

He pointed out that WRA Director Dillon S. Myer, in announcing last month that Topaz will be closed November 1, stated that all residents should decide by September 1 at the latest where they wish to relocate.

Hoffman urged residents who have not already done so to inform Relocation Interviewers by September 1:

1. Where they plan to go.
2. On what date they plan to leave.
3. What help they need.

Individuals or families who cannot immediately decide where they want to go should list two or three alternative places they are considering, and if possible, indicate order of preference.

Those who are unable to set an exact departure date should list an approximate departure date or alternative dates.

POPULATION REPORT

January 3, 1945.....5974
One week ago.....4174
Today.....4200